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1.3. After the ratification of the pact by France, the GDR will proclaim the organization of a national army in the strength of 8 to 10 divisions not equipped with heavy tanks or heavy aircraft; close cooperation with Poland and Czechoslovakia will be established and a state of "national emergency" necessitating the organization of a workers' militia and premilitary training proclaimed. The national army will be placed under a political command, but universal military service was not envisaged for the time being.

2.4. Other measures which will probably be taken in the event of an implementation of the Paris agreements concern passenger traffic to West Germany and Berlin. Permits for journeys to Berlin will be issued only on application and no inter-zonal passes will be made out for young men. No general traffic ban will be imposed, but security measures along the zonal boundaries and on the periphery of Berlin may be expected to be tightened. It is feared that the Sovietization of East Germany will be accelerated. Subversive activities in West Germany will be intensified, and the main target in this respect will be the ~~subversion of the GDR~~. It was believed that the recent conference of the World Federation of Trade Unions in Warsaw was of great importance for this development in France and Italy.

3.3. The East German population looks with rising anxiety upon the efforts made to secure the ratification of the Paris agreements in West European parliaments. It is generally feared that the ratification of this treaty will lead to the organization of an East German national army and to a tightening of the political régime. In the opinion of many East Germans such a development would kill any inclination of the Soviets further to negotiate with the West, would freeze the partition of Germany, and lead to the sealing off of East Germany from the West.

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